## FISCAL MEMORANDUM SB 425 - HB 1822

April 24, 2007

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (006990):** Deletes Section 2 of the original bill which required the Department of Labor and Workforce Development to copy and provide all medical records related to a workers' compensation case when requested by certain persons. This amendment requires the party submitting medical records to supply a copy to the opposing party. Authorizes certain persons to review the file and request copies of the medical records. Authorizes the Department to charge a fee for copying and mailing the requested records. If the records contain videotapes, audiotapes or x-rays, the submitting party shall supply the copies to the requesting party.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Expenditures - \$81,300 Recurring \$4,800 One-Time

## FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Increase State Revenues – Not Significant
Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- Most copies will be supplied by the submitting party rather than the Department.
- Any increase in state revenues as a result of collecting fees for copying and mailing medical records will be not significant.
- Any increase in state expenditures to copy and mail medical records will be not significant.

## **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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